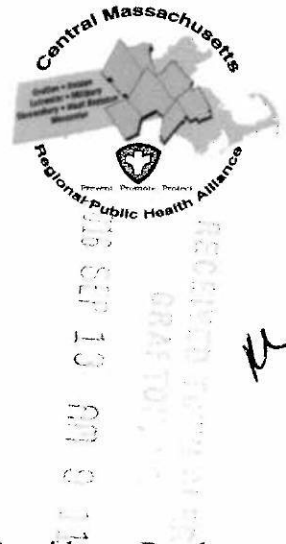




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**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**JUNE 13, 2016**  
**CONFERENCE ROOM F**

A meeting of the Board of Health was held in Conference Room F, Municipal Center, 30 Providence Road, Grafton, MA.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Karen Gwozdowski Gauvin, Chairman; Deborah A. Chouinard, Vice Chairman; Philip E. Dumas and Jay Gardiner  
Richard J. Kirejczyk, Clerk, was not in attendance.  
Also in attendance: Philip Leger, Karyn Clark and Megan DeNubila of WDPH / CMRPHA; Tim Deschamps of Central Mass Mosquito Control; Michael Lamusta RE: 56 Maple Ave; Timothy McInerney, Town Administrator; Dr. Lester Hartman and Nancy Connors, Recording Secretary

A motion was made by Mr. Gardiner to open the meeting at 6:00 P.M., seconded by Mr. Dumas; unanimously passed.

**CMRPHA Update**

Mr. Leger updated the Board:

Administration (ADM)

- Next Quarterly Alliance Meeting is in Shrewsbury on June 15<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and Mr. Kirejczyk will be attending

Environmental Health (EH)

- EH team continues with trainings. Koby Owusu-Ansah is now a Certified Title V System Inspector, Jaime Rice & Mike Mendez are now Certified Pool Operators and have completed the MAHIT Housing Training
- The EH team has student interns from Worcester State College working on a food establishment customer survey

Community Health (CH)

- Worcester Board of Health voted to increase minimum legal sales age of tobacco from 18 to 21
- Grafton will be voting this evening
- Mr. Gardiner would like to see all Alliance towns in uniformity with the tobacco regulations. Megan DeNubila stated West Boylston would be looking at this in the fall.
- Mrs. Clark updated the Board on the 2016 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) release will be held on June 23<sup>rd</sup> from 4:30 – 6:00 P.M. at Crompton Collective at 138 Green Street. After eight months of planning since the completion of the 2015 Community Health Assessment (CHA), the Community Health Improvement Plan for the CMRPHA is complete.
- Worcester DPH is assisting Grafton in developing improvement strategies in response to their Community Health Assessment. The CMRPC is currently working with the WDPH and Grafton Town

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- Planner to create a bicycle/pedestrian safety plan for Grafton. Funding was provided by the Mass in Motion Mini-Grant. Data was collected on barriers to walking and biking in Grafton. Results of data collection will be incorporated into the report to be released in July, 2016.
- Community Health staff assisted in the planning and execution of parent events to raise awareness of youth substance abuse in Grafton. The Coalition for a Healthy Grafton held a community forum with WDPH at the High School on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at which local Youth Health Survey data was presented to parents and residents. Small group discussions about significant data points from the Youth Health Survey results, potential factors that contribute to these results, and ways in which Grafton can mobilize to change them. Parent participants divided into small groups based on age of the children to discuss strategies for preventing substance use with their children. Grafton had about 30 attendees from the community and received positive press coverage.
- Mr. Gardiner attended this forum and stated it was quite eye opening learning that the substance abuse actually starts in the Middle School as opposed to High School. Mrs. Clark explained that Cassandra Andersen met with School Administration and needs their approval to release the data.

### Emergency Preparedness (EP)

- The Annual Health & Medical Emergency Preparedness Conference "Terrorism and Its Impact on Public Health and Healthcare" was held on May 16<sup>th</sup> at Holy Cross College. Mrs. Chouinard and Mrs. Farmer attended.
- A WebEOC drill will be held this month.
- Region 2 MRC Spring Training Day was held on May 14<sup>th</sup> at Tufts with collaboration between Greater Grafton MRC and Worcester Regional MRC
- CMRPHA Quarterly Meeting will be on June 15<sup>th</sup> at the Shrewsbury Town Hall

### Nursing (PHN)

- The replacement vaccine refrigerator has been ordered
- Final MDPH Influenza Vaccine Allocation for 2016-2017 has been received. These doses are for vaccination of children through age 18 regardless of setting or insurance status and for uninsured adults at Health Department sponsored clinics. Grafton's allotment is 330 doses

Mr. Gardiner questioned office coverage to which Mrs. Clark stated she had the Alliance Regional Public Health Specialists keep a log of telephone calls during their office hours and they were mainly for septic questions. Mr. Gardiner stated that was fine but at least the public will know that between 3:30 and 4:30 p.m. on Monday's and Wednesday's someone from the Alliance will be in the office.

Mrs. Clark did ask that advance notice be given to the Alliance for vacation coverage for planning purposes.

Mrs. Chouinard questioned Mr. McInerney about the computer Kiosk for the counter in the office to which he stated a cable would need to be run and would like to implement See Quik Fix. Mrs. Chouinard questioned Mr. Leger on the Medical Marijuana regulations. Mrs. Clark reported that the draft is being reviewed by legal.

### **Tim McInerney, Town Administrator & Tim Deschamps, Executive Director of Central Mass Mosquito Control Project RE: Mosquito Control**

Mr. McInerney and Mr. Deschamps were present before the Board to discuss mosquito control now that the Zika virus is so prevalent. Mr. McInerney is not sure if he is ready to pursue this avenue but would like to get a feel for what's out there and perhaps place a warrant article on Fall Town Meeting.

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Mr. Deschamps explained the full program of mosquito control consists of: larval control, adult control, ditch maintenance, mosquito surveillance, public education, research and efficacy, source reduction (tire recycling) and beaver mitigation.

Mrs. Gwozdowski Gauvin explained that years ago when Grafton was part of the program everyone envisioned the trucks going down the street spraying and residents closing windows so the chemical did not enter the house. Mrs. Gwozdowski Gauvin also stated that the keepers of honeybees raised lots of opposition at previous Town Meetings which is why it's been defeated the last five or six times. Mr. Deschamps stated that particular chemical is not used anymore. Mr. Deschamps stated that the day after spraying DEP/EPA checks the environment monitoring and has no impacts on honeybees.

Mr. Gardiner felt that the educational aspect is of the utmost importance. We need to run information sessions on Cable T.V., social media, face to face informational meetings, website and portable signs throughout the town. The residents need to be educated on what the program offers and what they can do to prevent mosquitoes (emptying planters, unused pools).

Mrs. Chouinard reminded all that in 2012 when significant WNV and EEE two meetings were held with CMMCP with one during the day and one in the evening. Both sessions were very poorly attended. She contained that perhaps some of the interns from the Alliance could attend Farmers Market with informational packets. Resources need to be given to the citizens.

Mr. Deschamps reminded all that the financial piece of the project was not why the voters defeated the program at town meetings but the residents who owned honey bees, horses and with the cancer concerns.

Mr. Deschamps informed Mr. McInerney that they can provide the materials necessary.

The Board thanked Mr. Deschamps for attending the meeting.

### **56 Maple Ave. – Request for Local Upgrade Approval for Distance from Proposed Addition to Existing Septic Tank**

Mr. Michael Lamusta was present before the Board representing his clients Tiffany & Paul Lorentzen. Mr. Lamusta is putting an addition onto the house and the existing septic tank will be 7'8" from the proposed foundation. Julie VanArsdalen from the CMRPHA reviewed the file and recommended approving the LUA for reduction in setback: septic tank to building foundation, 10 feet required, 7.8' provided with a 40 mil membrane installed with top and bottom elevations to be provided for 40 mil membranes prior to commencement of work. Ms. VanArsdalen also recommended approval the LUA on the condition that the dwelling remains a three (3) bedroom house. A motion was made by Mr. Gardiner to approve the requested LUA with the condition that a deed restricting for a three (3) bedroom house be obtained prior to construction, seconded by Mrs. Chouinard; unanimously passed.

### **Vote to Adopt Amended Tobacco Regulations (Restricting the Sale)**

Dr. Lester Hartman, pediatrician at Westwood Pediatrics, commended the Board on their hard work in changing the regulations to include T-21. He informed all that 120 towns in the area have passed the T-21. The Bill has passed the Senate and is in second committee now. The Board commended Dr. Hartman on his work as a physician but also promoting public health.

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Ms. DeNubila stated she would get the signage for free from Mass Clearing House and did recommend giving a couple months' notice before implementing the new regulations to give the retailers time to deplete their stock.

A motion was made by Mrs. Chouinard to adopt the newly amended Tobacco Regulations to be effective September 1, 2016 seconded by Mr. Gardiner; unanimously passed.

**To Be Signed**

(1) Well Permit

11 Potter Hill Road / Kevin Kenyon

(1) Disposal System Construction Permit

101 Brigham Hill Road / Plude Family Trust

Request for Local Upgrade Approval –Reduction in setback 310 CMR 15.405(1)(f) SAS 40' to DPW sub-Drain in Road

310 CMR 15.405(1)(h) SAS 3' to Groundwater (30 mpi perc assumed)

310 CMR 15.405(1)(i) Sieve Analysis for Class II Un-compacted Soil in Groundwater

A motion was made by Mr. Gardiner to grant the requested Local Upgrade Approvals as listed, seconded by Mr. Dumas; unanimously passed.

(1) Pool Permit

Metrowest Ministries Inc. d/b/a Early Learning Center / 2 Elliot Trail

Bills

A motion was made by Mrs. Chouinard to Pay Bills as listed, seconded by Mr. Gardiner; unanimously passed.

Benjamin Fontes       \$ 5,288.22

Verizon Wireless       39.99

M A H B – FY-17       150.00

BOH Payroll:

Deb Chounard           \$150

Phil Dumas             \$150

Karen Gwozdowski Gauvin   \$150

Richard J. Kirejczyk     \$150

Jay Gardiner           \$150

**Correspondence / Mail**

The Board reviewed miscellaneous correspondence and mail. Mrs. Gwozdowski Gauvin read the Grater Grafton MRC Updates for March, April and May prepared by Mrs. Farmer.

A motion was made by Mr. Gardiner to adjourn at 7:28 P.M., seconded by Mrs. Chouinard; unanimously passed.

A TRUE COPY,  
ATTEST:

 Karen Gwozdowski Gauvin  
for  
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Richard J. Kirejczyk, Clerk